

# **MEDIA STUDIES KS4 Course Overview GCSE**

TERM	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 3	SPRING 4	SPRING 5	SPRING 6
10	Introduction to Media Studies Component 1 Section A - Magazines	Component 1 Section A - Advertising - Film Marketing	Component 1 Section A - Film marketing Component 1 section B - Film marketing Introduction to Newspapers	Component 1 Section A - Newspapers Component 1 Section B - Newspapers	Component 1 Section B - Gaming - Radio	Component 3- coursework
11	Component 3 Component 2 Section A - Television	Component 2 Section A - Television	Component 2 Section B - Music videos	Component 2 Section B Music videos	Component 2 Section B - Music videos Revision	N/A

AWARDING BODY: WJEC Eduqas	QUALIFICATION: GCSE	AVAILABLE: All Students
COURSE OUTLINE		

- Extensive and meaningful coverage of media theory and practice
- Practical work which integrates theories and concepts
- A range of written assessments and regular exam practice
- The chance to study across different media platforms

• Opportunities to learn about real media products and industries.

## **Course requirements:**

• It is expected that students will, on occasions, work after normal school hours or during lunch times to complete their practical coursework

## This subject is most suitable for:

- Students who are analytical
- Students who have a good level of written English
- Those who are prepared to work with technology (both Apple Mac and PC)
- Students who meet strict deadlines and are organised.

#### **YEAR 10 OVERVIEW**

Component 1 (exam)

- Section A
- Section B

Component 3 (coursework)

#### **YEAR 11 OVERVIEW**

Component 2 (exam)

- Section A
- Section B

## **CROSS CURRICULAR LINKS**

English, Sociology and History

## **ASSESSMENT METHOD**

## 70% External Exam

Students will have to sit **two** exam papers at the end of year 11. Each exam is 1 hour 30 minutes in length. Questions will be focused on areas of the theoretical framework studied in class: Media Language, Representation, Audience and Industry. Students will also study the social and historical contexts of the set products. Set products include Pride magazine, The Sun newspaper, Spectre film poster, The Archers radio programme and many more.

## 30% Coursework

	Students will individually produce a print based media product which is in response to an annually changing topic set by the exam board. This could include; print adverts, magazines, film posters, DVD covers or any other media forms the exam board would like us to explore. Students will produce their coursework using Adobe Photoshop.	
SKILLS ACQUIRED	<ul> <li>Analytical skills</li> <li>Photoshop skills</li> <li>Literacy skills</li> <li>Critical thinking skills</li> <li>Opportunities for progression to A Level Media Studies</li> </ul> Specification: <a href="http://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/media-studies/gcse/">http://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/media-studies/gcse/</a>	